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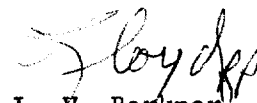
Dear Joshua:

As you know, we have been trying for some time to find a mechanism for closer liaison between the Board and the NASA groups responsible for the concrete planning of the scientific programs in various disciplines. We have been discussing this matter in recent weeks with Dr. Newell, Director of the NASA Office of Space Sciences, and he has now proposed that appropriate Board members serve directly as liaison representatives to the respective Subcommittees of the NASA Space Science Steering Committee.

This seems a practical arrangement whereby the Board can provide direct contributions to the NASA space science program and likewise provides an avenue for the Board to consider any problems in the respective fields of space science, should they arise.

Dr. Newell informs me that you are already a member of the Space Science Subcommittee on Planetary and Interplanetary Sciences. Accordingly, following Dr. Newell's proposal, I am writing to appoint you as the Board liaison to this Subcommittee. I trust that it will be possible for you to assist the Board in this capacity.

Sincerely yours,



L. V. Berkner
Chairman

cc: Dr. Odishaw

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